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May 3, 2003

The Honorable Michael J. Copps  
Chairman and  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street Southwest  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Mr. Copps:

I am totally against any change in FCC regulations which will permit changes in broadcast ownership rules that could eventually allow giant media conglomerates who could then completely censor and control what we hear, read and see on radio, television and in our newspapers. To give such power to a few individuals in charge of these giant conglomerates is to make sure that all we will ever hear and see is management's one sided viewpoint. Media control in the hands of a few powerful individuals can be the first step to a dictatorship.

This country was founded on the right of the people to freely express their opinion either for or against a subject and to be heard or seen. In the last few years some of the existing media organizations have refused to allow ideas and opinions to be expressed by people and organizations with whom they have disagreed. Several media groups have felt themselves so powerful that they even refused to air a speech by our President. Is this right? Do you want to give them more power to increase in size to where they can completely control what we hear, read and see? I say no few individuals should ever have such power. You need to protect the First Amendment right of legitimate people and organizations in this country of ours to always be heard and seen on important issues.

Sincerely,

*W.M. Byers*

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The Honorable Kevin J. Martin  
Commissioner  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street Southwest  
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Re: Mr. J. C. Martin

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Yours truly,

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The Honorable Kathleen Q. Abernathy  
Acting Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street Southwest  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Abernathy:

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Mr. Jonathan S. Melstein  
Commissioner  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street Southwest  
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Dear Mr. Melstein:

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